AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 **EXPEDITED PROCEDURE GROUP 1725**

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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CONTAINER-FILLING DEVICE FOR LOST-FOAM CASTING SYSTEMS

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ATTN: BOX AF

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

For:

In further response to the outstanding Final Rejection of November 27, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

The claims are amended as follows:

A/container-filling device for lost-foam casting systems, including 17. (Amended)

in a single operational combination:

-supporting means for containers with associated vibration means to set said

containers into vibration;

-sand-feeding means for feeding dosed quantities of sand into said containers; and